Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de) dated 2009-01-06
We attempt to distribute our Newletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy...

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Latest NEWS/INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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PEAK of the QUADRANTIDS 2009 (Review: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php)
Probably most of you was QRV last weekend and has noticed the strong
Meteor Scatter activity related to 2009 Quadrantids Shower.
Very high meteor rates (ZHR up to 150 hr-1 at peak) have been observed,
with spectacular reflections all over the peak day (Saturday Jan 3rd).
Shower maxima has been broader than usual this year. According to IMO
Live, measured ZHR has remained over 100 hr-1 level between 05 and
18 UT on Jan. 3rd, while ZHR has remained over 40 hr-1 the whole day!
Such a maxima is significantly wider than typical Quadrantids activity
shape. Peak time predictions have been fully confirmed by observations.
European MS enthusiasts have been favoured this year, since during peak
time (around 13 UT) the shower's Radiant elevation over EU was optimal
for radio contacts (around 45 degs), thus leading to very favourable
path geometry. That's an excellent way of starting 2009 radio season,
but now we have to wait until April/May for the next good meteor shower.
Anyway, apart sporadic meteors, some minor showers will appear before
that, and our Team will keep you informed about them...
SOURCE: The Team of MMMonVHF

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New VK 2m Band Records, by Dave VK3HZ
After a spectacular few days of Sporadic E openings, I've been wading
back through my notes and have identified a number of new records
that have been set - all on the 2m band and all via Sporadic E:
- 30/12/08 VK2ZT to VK6WG - 3140 km - new VK2 and VK6 state records
beating the old record (VK2ZT to VK6BE) by just 3 km
- 30/12/08 VK1ZQR to VK6YAU (Wal VK6WG's son at Wal's QTH) - 2830 km
new VK1 state record smashing the 25 year old record of 936.4 km
- 01/01/09 VK1DO/M to ZL1IU - 2320 km - New VK National Mobile record
Read more in detail at: http://www.vklogger.com/forum/ 144 & 432 MHz
SOURCE: Dave, VK3HZ via VK-Logger

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DXpedition voting - TROPHY 2008
The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts
and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to find the "Best VHF DX
Expedition of the Year". The aim of the survey is to thank the very
hard effort of those, who organized and carried out so many nice
expeditions and trips all around the world on the VHF bands in the
past year. Read all about it at our FORUM:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=2&topic=60
Participation Period: 01.Jan. last year to 31. Dec. last year
Voting Period: 01.Jan. current year to 20. Jan. current year
Pse LOGIN at MMMonVHF an go to: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php
Than select up to 3 DXpeditions and click on the 'Vote' Button.

Results will be spread out soon - SOURCE: the Team of MMMonVHF

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Latest DXPEDITION and EVENT NEWS - Please do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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Activity from the VK4-area in february 2009 by Hermann, DL2NUD
Hermann, DL2NUD, will try to be qrv from Australia (VK4 area) on 2m and 70cm from several different Squares in QG and QH.
All details, flights, visa are cfmd meantime! In advance of his trip to Temotu (H40) and Solomon (H44), Hermann will try to be qrv on 144 MHz as VK4/DL2NUD for at least 2 weeks from several different Squares in QG and QH. On 144 MHz he will use a 18el M2 and around 1,5KW. EME On 70cm it depence on loan a antenna for EME up to now. Power will be at least as well 1 KW from BEKO HLV PA. All details, flights, visa are cfmd meantime!
After his trip to VK4 area, Hermann will be 100% qrv on 144 MHz as H40HP from RH29 in parallel to the other operators and later from 3 squares at the main Solomons as H44HP...
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD (H40/H44HP), direct to MMMonVHF

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LATEST NEWS from Bob, ZL1RS, dated 2009-01-04: Hi Chaps, we are now on our way to Tonga A35. Brief tests with the portable 2M EME system late last week resulted in a few quick contacts ... my OWN ECHOs were even visible on the "waterfall"!! The equipment is now packed in a suitcase, and the small 4 bay array has been broken down into a 1.5M long cardboard box for the flight ... I only need to get my 16kg "hand carry" bag with the amplifier past the boarding gate! Read more in detail: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2190
NEWS from Peter, OZ1LPR and Chris, PA2CHR, dated 2009-01-05: Bob A35RS is now QRV from A35. He is producing good signals on his moonset.
SOURCE: Bob, ZL1RS (A35RS), direct to MMMonVHF

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Frank, DL8YHR, plans his next expedition towards ASIA for end of March, begin of April... Frank and an other friend will try to setup 50, 144 and 432 MHz EME Stations and as well a 160m Rig. More infos will follow as soon as all details fixed here at MMMonVHF: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2195
SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR, direct to MMMonVHF

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K5QE contest station qrv from EM31cj at the ARRL-Contest
Hello to everyone interested in VHF contesting..... The January VHF contest is looming in the near future. We will be operating the K5QE contest station for the entire contest(assuming that we can come up with enough operators....HI). Date and Contest Period: The date will be announced annually by the ARRL but will generally be the third or fourth weekend in January. Begins 1900 UTC Saturday, ends 0359 UTC Monday (January 17-19, 2009). Read all in details: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2204
SOURCE: Marshall, K5QE via Reflector and direct to MMMonVHF

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Peter, EA5GVH will be on vacation to the island of Aruba
(SA-036, also count for WLOTA LH-0033) between January 12th
and 28th. He will be QRV as P40PZ on 80-6 meters using mainly
digital modes (PSK, Olivia, FeldHell, SSTV, RTTY and others)
with some SSB. QSL to EA5GVH direct, bureau or e-QSL.
SOURCE: Tnx Bill, NG3K, via Daves, VA3RJ, ICPO Bulletin
(January 01 - 09, 2009)

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Seven special event stations will be active until 1 February from
the host cities of the Men's World Handball Championship that is
going to be held in Croatia (http://www.croatia2009.com/). Look
for 9A2009OS (Osijek), 9A2009PO (Porec), 9A2009PU (Pula), 9A2009ST
(Split), 9A2009VZ (Varazdin), 9A2009ZD (Zadar) and 9A2009ZG
(Zagreb). QSL via bureau.
SOURCE: [TNX VA3RJ] [425ENG] 425 DX News #922

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Karney/W2AFC, Dave/N1EMC and Bill/NE1B will operate from
Nassau (NA-001, Grid Square FL15), Bahamas with Tom/C6ANM
during the following contests: CQ WW 160M CW (23-25 January),
ARRL DX CW (21-22 February), CQ WW 160M SSB (27 February-
1 March), ARRL DX SSB (6-8 March). Additional C6ANM DX activity
on 160-6 metres will be from 1 January through 1 April.
QSL C6ANM via LOTW (preferred) or direct to WA2IYO.
SOURCE: [TNX NE1B] [425ENG] 425 DX News #922

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Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active as K1HP/KH2 from Guam (OC-026) on
16-19 January. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands
and 6 metres. QSL via JE2EHP, bureau preferred.
SOURCE: [TNX JE2EHP] [425ENG] 425 DX News #922

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Special Call TM2LBR aired on HF and 144 MHz - The French Blind
Radioamateurs National Union (Union Nationale des Aveugles
Radioamateurs de France) will operate special event station
TM2LBR from 28th December to 11th January 2009 to commemorate
the bicentenary of Louis Braille. QSL via operators instructions
SOURCE: Tnx 425 DX News

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Ogliuga Island DXpedition IOTA NA-233 Delarof Islands Group
We working on 2009 Expedition to NA-233 IOTA group. Jeff Williams
with USFWS (KL2HD) suggested to land on Ogliuga instead of Goreloi
due to much better camping spot and portion of it not wilderness,
so generator can be used.Dates: Plan for 3-4 weeks vacation!
(+/- weather) 3rd week of July 2009- 1st week of August 2009,
so we can take part in IOTA contest...
SOURCE: Tnx Andy (Neon), 50 MHz DX News (Got6???)

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IQ3AZ/p JN66 Log uploaded
The idea of activating JN66 via MS has stuck in our minds for lot
of time. Lack of serious MS activity since the early 90ï¿½s and a
complex orography made JN66 square become "blue" in MWS map...
Read all at our REVIEW Page - search 2008, IQ3AZ - Log will be here:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/LOGS/iq3az_jn66.pdf
SOURCE: Tnx Massimo, IV3NDC Team of MMMonVHF

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SOTA-News - Upcoming Activations updated at our MMMonVHF page
as long these including VHF or U/SHF-Activity. A complete over-
view about all SOTA-Activities are on: www.sotawatch.org/alerts.php
SOURCE: tnx Summits On The Air (via SOTAwatch2 (beta) Page)

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal
MMMonVHF as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources and chats
like ON4KST-, N0UK-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat and others...

*** Many thanks to all USER who send us info and news ***

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info.
If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition,
PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much
up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not
violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy.

Have a lot of fun and enjoy MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team
(DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA HA5CRX IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME)

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